

Remarks

Applicant provisionally elects the titanium species for initial examination in the present application. Claims 1, 3-4 and 6-12 read on the elected species.

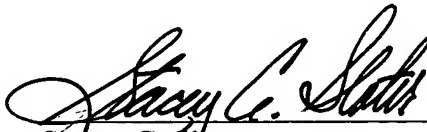
Applicants remind the Examiner that if claims directed to the elected titanium species are prosecuted to allowance, then Applicant is entitled to substantive examination of the claimed genus of cathode metals that include titanium.

The present application is ready for substantive examination, and such action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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